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## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, We hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our name.

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**Pigment granulate for coloring non-polar media and methods for the production thereof**

the specification of which was filed on September 6, 2001 with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office under U.S. Application No. 09/914,991.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 371, we hereby request examination of the attached U.S. National Phase application for PCT/EP 98/04442 and we hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 371 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign application(s) Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed	Yes	No
PCT/EP01/00709	WO	23/01/01	✓	
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We hereby declare that all statements herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements and the like may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

We hereby appoint Donald J. Pochopien, Registration No. 32,167, as attorney with full power to prosecute the above identified application before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, his address being:

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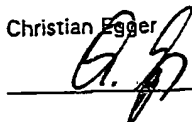
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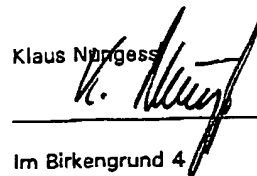
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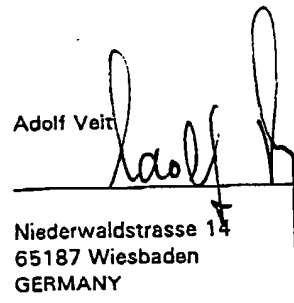
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